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Amendment

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LCO No. 4848



Offered by: REP. ALBIS, 99th Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. **5315**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF THE HABITUATION OF POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ANIMALS AND THE STATUS OF SNAPPING TURTLES UNDER STATE LAW."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. Section 26-25a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 5 (a) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may
- 6 adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54
- 7 prohibiting or restricting the feeding of wildlife on state-owned
- 8 property and prohibiting or restricting the feeding of bears or coyotes
- 9 <u>on property that is not owned by the state</u>. Such regulations shall
- include, but not be limited to, procedures for designating areas subject
- 11 to such prohibitions or restrictions and authorization to issue warnings
- 12 and provide educational materials for first-time violations that the law
- 13 enforcement officer determines to be de minimis in nature and that
- 14 occur on property that is not owned by the state. Any such designation

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shall be effective after public notice and a public comment period.

(b) Any conservation officer appointed pursuant to section 26-5 and any other officer authorized to serve criminal process may enforce any regulations adopted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Any violation of such regulations shall be an infraction except a first-time de minimis violation that occurs on property that is not owned by the state shall result in the issuance of a written warning and provision of education materials."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	from passage	26-25a

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